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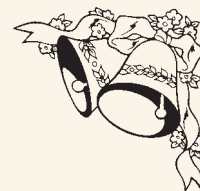
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Local Resident in the Running for 'Bromance'

By Kenneth J. Souza

When Mattapoisett resident Gary Vaughn answered an ad on Craig's List looking for contestants for an MTV reality show, he never thought he'd be chosen to be one of nine candidates vying for the attention and platonic affection of Brody Jenner, star of *The Hills* and Bruce Jenner's son, on the new series *Bromance*, which airs on Monday nights at 9:00 pm. Now in its second week of a six-week run, Vaughn has fared well so far and is still very much in the running with one contestant having withdrawn and two others having been cast off by Jenner himself.

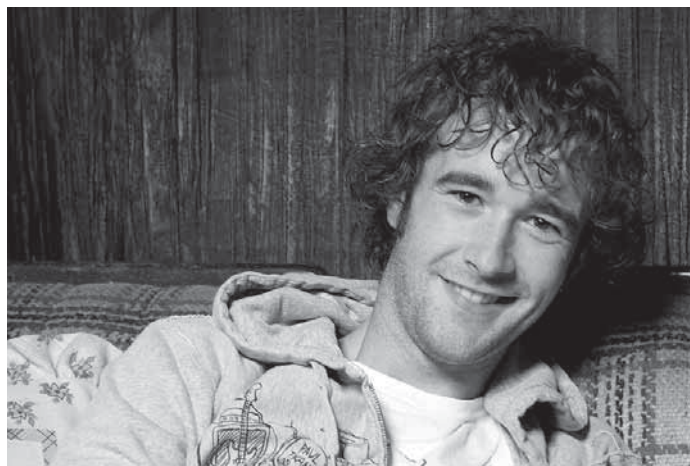
"One thing led to the next and I found myself going out to LA and meeting Brody Jenner," Mr. Vaughn said. "It was really just a fast-moving whirlwind of excitement and I just went with it. There was an open call in Boston and I ended up skipping that, but they called back and asked me to do some camera tests. The next thing I know I was out in Los Angeles saying, 'wow, I'm on a reality TV show.'"

The 24-year-old ORR High School graduate and dance instructor had already planned to move to Los Angeles to pursue a dancing career last year when this rare opportunity took him on an unexpected detour last summer.

"I consider myself an artist," Mr. Vaughn said. "If you want to have any type of success in art, you have

to have experience, and I thought, 'hey, there are only so many people in the world who have ever done a reality show, and why not?' I wanted to see what the experience could open up and what I could learn about myself by doing it. I went in with that attitude and just went to town."

During the summer shoot Mr. Vaughn shared a lavish LA party house with his fellow contestants and was subjected to a battery of challenges and tests — both physical and mental — to test his mettle and determine whether or not he could maintain a viable "bromance"



Above: Mattapoisett resident Gary Vaughn is currently one of nine contestants on MTV's *Bromance*, a reality show where the castmates vie for the attention and platonic affection of Brody Jenner, star of *The Hills* and Bruce Jenner's son. The show airs on Monday nights at 9:00 pm and Vaughn has survived the first two weeks and remains in the running with one contestant having withdrawn and two others having been cast off by Jenner himself.



Above: The new stained glass window from St. Anthony's Church in Mattapoisett was on the cover of our January 17, 2008 issue.

On the cover: The remaining 49 covers from 2008 are featured on this week's cover.

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"There were a bunch of guys living in one house where we all were, quite literally, put through the ringer," Mr. Vaughn said. "It really challenged both our physical and mental abilities in different situations and it was an awesome experience to really grow from. All of the guys were really cool and brought different things to the table. It was a really great growing experience. I learned a lot about myself, about these other guys, and about Brody Jenner, too, which was just an awesome added bonus — to be able to hang out with one of the most popular guys out there now."

Mr. Vaughn admitted he wasn't a big fan of reality TV shows and he knew little about Brody Jenner going into the project.

"I never really got into the whole reality show thing," Mr. Vaughn said. "So I really didn't know anything about Brody and whatever I did know I figured was hearsay or people's impressions from (*The Hills*) ... but I went into it trying to meet a friend and I think I did."

Although all the episodes have already been shot and are "in the can," so to speak, Mr. Vaughn still doesn't know the outcome.

"To be honest with you, I don't really know what's going to happen," Mr. Vaughn said. "I'm kind of just going with the flow to see what happens."

This veil of secrecy over the project and its big reveal has been ongoing since Mr. Vaughn first went out

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to Los Angeles last summer.

"I really couldn't talk about it until they started airing the first trailers and once they did I started telling everyone," Mr. Vaughn said. "It was funny when I got back (from filming) my dad asked me, 'so, should I tell people to watch this or not? I told him, yeah. I just wanted to let everybody know how much fun it was to be out in Los Angeles."

The son of ORR Junior High School Chorus teacher Angie Vaughn, Gary said his family is excited about the show.

"My whole family was like 'cool, that's awesome. You're going to be on TV,'" he said.

Pending the final outcome of *Bromance*, in which Gary could potentially find himself with a lavish downtown LA apartment of his very own, he already has plans in place to move out to Los Angeles on January 19 to further his dancing career.

"When all this stuff came about, it fit in perfectly with all the plans I already had in motion from a year ago," Mr. Vaughn said. "I just decided that things happen

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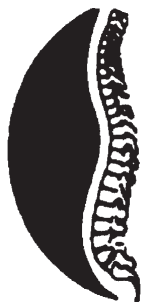
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for a reason and I'm just going to go with the flow. I have a lot of friends out there anyway, so it was cool to be out there doing something completely different from what I thought I'd be doing."

Bromance airs on Monday nights at 9:00 pm on MTV. Gary Vaughn's profile and fan page can be found at www.iamonmtv.com/bromance/GaryVaughn.

Major Change

Board Deems Dunkin' Donuts Major Revision

By Kenneth J. Souza

After another round of meetings with members of the Marion Planning Board that has spanned over two months, representatives of the Sardinha Family Trust have once again hit a temporary impasse in their bid to bring a Dunkin' Donuts franchise restaurant to the property at 450 Wareham Street in Marion.

Although the Sardinha Family Trust came to an "Agreement for Judgment" in their lawsuit against the town's Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) for previously denying them a permit, they were hoping the Planning Board would expedite the newly-revised site plan for the project since it had already received the blessing of the ZBA and Town Counsel Jon Witten.

"The stance of the applicant is that the changes that have been presented on this plan — while they may appear to be major — are actually minor," Attorney Leo T. Scarry said on behalf of his client. "The main objec-

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tion of the Zoning Board of Appeals was the line of sight that was limited out onto Route 6. We've eliminated that problem. The only change that I can see to the building is a drive-through window, which is a minor alteration. I would respectfully request that the board vote, in good conscience, to consider this to be a minor change and then we can go through the revisions that the Planning Board would like ... rather than going through a whole new process."


But members of the Planning Board in their previous discussions felt there were too many revisions from the site plans they reviewed for the project in 2000 and again in 2006 to deem it anything but major.

"If this is considered minor, the applicant is willing to negotiate some such commitments for working with us," board member Tom Magauran said. "The question we never got answered was what rights the applicants felt they were losing if they had to go through another Site Plan Review process. I think it's been pretty clear that this is a major change. So the question is how can we accommodate this as a minor change and still do our jobs?"

As to the question of what rights the applicants would be giving up, Mr. Scarry said they'd lose the right to discuss the plan openly with the Planning Board as submitted, thereby putting the project on the fast-track for approval without further expense or delay.



"You can keep this within this board," Mr. Scarry said. "We wish you people to address these issues that we have now. There is no need, as far as I'm concerned, in getting embroiled in further red tape over this issue. The fact of the matter is, this is a far better plan. This is what the town wants, so let's not get hung up on a word as to whether it's minor or major."

"The plan that they've submitted is a vast im-



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provement over what was previously submitted, I don't think anyone disputes that," agreed Planning Board Vice Chairman Peter Winters. "I think it's a good plan. Regardless of what happens on this vote, I think this board will work with the applicant to expedite this process to give them a swift and fair hearing."

"To me, personally, I think the biggest change is — in terms of public safety — we have a drive-through where we didn't have one before," board member Jay Ryder said. "The traffic, therefore, is going to increase by a (certain) amount."

To that end, Mr. Magauran suggested a lot of the original data and information pertinent to this project is old and might need to be updated.

"I will point out that the traffic study that was done for the second plan didn't include a drive-through," Mr. Magauran said. "There are concerns I would certainly like to address that were never part of the plan this board reviewed."

"I get very nervous when I start hearing about traffic studies," Attorney Mark J. Coltin said. "The concern that we have is the fact that there have been efforts and money expended previously that resulted in two denials. We're trying to move forward and expedite this plan without going through hoops and, frankly, a traffic study is going through hoops. Every time this applicant has been asked to do something, we've complied willingly. But we don't want to go down a track where we're



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doing traffic studies again. I think eight or nine years is enough."

"What I'm hearing here is if we vote this to be a minor change, certain concessions will be made," Planning Board member Steve Gonsalves said. "Why can't it be a major change and still have the same concessions?"

"The reason there's a site review process and a public hearing process is so we can get input from various people and experts," Mr. Magauran added. "So it's advantageous to us. What you're really saying is you can't accept our site plan process, as it stands, because you're afraid we're going down a rat hole, or it's going to take too much time or cost too much money. We're just trying to do our job. Look, it's a major change. I can't see anything here that would give us leeway to designate this as a minor change."

Frustrated, Attorney Scarry lashed out at Mr. Magauran, accusing him of attempting to stall the project yet again.

"You have been nothing but obstructionist through this entire proceeding," Mr. Scarry said. "I can't sit here and listen to Mr. Magauran go on with a speech filled with misrepresentations."

But Chairman Joseph Napoli attempted to get the meeting back on topic, saying: "I don't know that any member of this board would act inappropriately on purpose. I can assure you that we will act in an expeditious manner. The people on this board are honest, good people

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just trying to do their job.”

“Although I understand that this is a better plan for Marion, I’ve read the by-laws and this is a major change, it truly is,” said board member Patricia McArdle. “Certain things have to be complied with — it’s just procedure. And if we just go through the proper channels, no one’s saying it won’t be approved in the end.”

With that, the board unanimously voted to deem this revised site plan a major change from the original submitted.

As such, the Sardinha Family Trust will have to begin the Site Plan Review process and must file the necessary paperwork before the Planning Board’s next meeting slated for Tuesday, January 20 at 5:00 pm in the conference room of the Marion Town House.

Think Spring Rochester Youth Baseball Sign-Ups **By Robert Chiarito**

One of the beautiful elements of the game of baseball is the game’s relationship to the seasons. It arrives in the spring, carries us through the summer, gives excitement to autumn and leaves us during the winter only to renew the cycle and the optimism that goes along with it each spring.

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League secretary Tom Dugan said, "We are not raising fees this year." Last season's fee structure was as follows: registration for a T-Ball player is \$60, Farm League registration is \$80 per child, Minor League is \$110 per child and Major League is \$120 per child. To be eligible for play during the 2009 season, a player cannot be 13 years of age before April 30, 2009. Tryouts are expected to take place on Saturday, March 21 with a player draft to follow. Players would then be given their team assignments with practices set to begin shortly thereafter. All games are played at Rochester's Gifford Park and Dexter Lane Fields.

If you would like more information, please con-

tact Hal Rood at 508-496-6096 or you can go to the internet and find the league's website at www.rochesteryouthbaseball.com.

School Report

ORR Back from the Break

By Olivia Mello

With the New Year before them, students and faculty at Old Rochester Regional High School have returned to continue the 2008-2009 school year. The student body was welcomed back from winter break with a morning announcement made by Michael Bertram and Tyler Molander, who are two seniors at the school. They urged their fellow classmates to stretch out and get themselves

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ready for their first day. It served as a nice way to break the ice and ease back into the academic lifestyle.

The high school's schedule for the month of January goes as follows. Friday, January 16 will begin the weekend early with a half-day. School will be canceled on that following Monday, which will be the January 19, in celebration of Martin Luther King Day. Immediately after students return from their long weekend, Term II will close. This means that all make-up work should be passed in by or preferably before this date.

For any student in Grade 12 who has been taking a half-year course during first and second terms, the final exams are on their way. Each year a representative from the senior class (whether it be the president or a member of the Student Council) is supposed to request, earlier on, that the senior privileges be applied that year. One of these privileges involves the procedure with the final exams for the upperclassmen. In recent years, students who received an overall average of 90 or better in a certain class would not be required to take the final exam.

As a senior, I have been told that our class failed to make the request. Mr. Everett, who is a teacher of the half-year elective of Philosophy, has recently sent an e-mail to the administration asking them to make a decision on this issue. If the administration does not give their say on the final exams, the teachers will have to take matters into their own hands. It is believed that they will most likely follow past practice and allow their A-average stu-

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dents to be exempt from taking the exam.

Meetings will be held this week in Ms. Ribeiro's room concerning the Book Club, as well as Open Mic Night — both of which are only possible with active participation. So, anyone at the school who is interested in poetry or performing, whether they like to present themselves or just watch others do so, should get involved in the Open Mic Nights. Those who are more into reading novels should join ORR's Book Club.

The school would like to give congratulations to Dana Dourdeville, a sophomore at Old Rochester Regional, for his first place finish at last weekend's State Freshman/Sophomore meet. Not only did he win the race, he furthermore went on to break a forty-year-old school record by completing the mile in 4:33.

Marion Selectmen's Meeting

January 6, 2009

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order in the Marion Town House on Tuesday, January 6 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Jonathan Henry. Also present were Selectman Roger Blanchette, Selectman Stephen Cushing, Town Administrator Paul Dawson and Secretary Helene Craver.

Chairman Henry first asked for a moment of silence in memory of two Marion residents who recently passed away — Mary DePina, who along with her husband generously gave conservation land to the town; and Ed Briggs, a former Selectman and town official back in the 1970s.

After approving the minutes of the December 16 meeting, the board signed and approved water commitments and credit memos for the week, and also voted to appoint Dorothy "Dot" Burrill to the Marion Affordable

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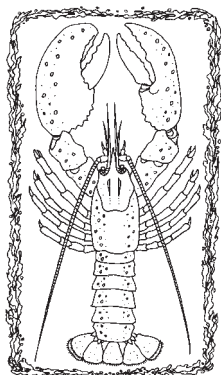
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The board also signed and endorsed a letter of support for the Marion Bike Path project that would connect similar regional bike paths from Fairhaven to Cape Cod, upon a request from the Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD).

"We have already submitted the project need form to MassHighway," Mr. Dawson said. "The application has been completed, but we've been asked by SRPEDD to include a letter of support from (the board) as part of the pre-application process for federal funding. It could be up to 100 percent funding for the project."

"Right now there's \$2 million of funding available to construct the path from Mattapoissett to Washburn Park," Chairman Henry said.

The board next received a water fee abatement request from Douglas and Elizabeth Leatham, who were also present at the meeting, for their property located at 22 River View Lane.

Mr. and Ms. Leatham presented documentation of an ongoing problem with air that was somehow introduced into their water lines, which they contend had resulted in faulty meter readings and excessively high water bills.

"There's really no way to determine how air in the lines would affect the water meter," Mr. Dawson said.

"I think it's safe to assume there was a minimal impact on air going through your system," Chairman Henry said. "But you did have a leaking toilet for at least a two-week period, if not longer. You have the water that went through the meter and it had to go somewhere."

"We just weren't using water that way ... there's only two of us," Mr. Leatham said.

"We come from that place of water conservation," Ms. Leatham added.

Upon a suggestion from Mr. and Ms. Leatham, the board agreed to have the Department of Public Works (DPW) go out and calibrate the water meter at 22 River View Lane and they would take this matter under advisement until their next regular meeting on Tuesday, January 20.

Under the Town Administrator's report, Mr.

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Dawson first provided an update on the insurance claim filed for damages from the recent heating system leak at Sippican School.

"I can report to you that the total claim amount was \$51,032.35," Mr. Dawson said. "There is a depreciation amount of about \$3,741 that will be reimbursed to us. We already have about \$40,000 in hand (from the insurance company)."

Mr. Dawson next discussed the proposed Federal Economic Recovery Bill stimulus package that would provide federal funding to local cities and towns through the state.

"They are looking for projects that would be 'shovel-ready' within 180 days," Mr. Dawson. "So we have to have all our ducks in a row by this Thursday for consideration. We're looking at the I&I project, the sewer line project and the police station building project as possible candidates. There is no guarantee that these projects will be funded because there is a limited number of dollars available."

Lastly, Mr. Dawson reported that the window repair and storm window installation project at the Marion Music Hall is now complete and he expects it will make a major difference in future fuel costs.

"Those of us who use the Music Hall on a regular basis will certainly notice how much warmer it is," Mr. Dawson said. "We also expect to see significant savings in terms of energy efficiency."

"They certainly did a beautiful job," Chairman Henry agreed.

Under correspondence, the board received:

- Letter from Police Chief Lincoln Miller advising that Officer Shawn J. Costa has resigned as a Special Police Officer with the Marion Police Department to take another job out of state.

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• Letter from Gordon Goodwin reporting alleged damage to his property on Hiller Street in the aftermath of the Village Loop project.

"The pipe that was being worked on was at the edge of his property and the trucks did some damage to the front part of his lawn and Mr. Goodwin is asking that it be restored to its original condition in the spring," Mr. Dawson said. "That will be taken care of. There were also some cedar and spruce limbs that were torn down as the trucks drove by."

• Letter from Steve Grima, David Pierce, Joseph Napoli and Richard Kemp all expressing interest in forming a Marion 2015 Action Committee to be charged with looking to take the recommendations from the Marion 2015 Study and put them into action via Town Meeting articles. The board agreed to take this matter under advisement.

Before adjourning, Selectman Blanchette wanted to clarify something he said at the last regional Tri-Town Selectmen's meeting.

"At our last Tri-Town Selectmen's meeting I had made a commentary about looking into a regional dispatch group," Selectman Blanchette said. "It was quoted in one of our local newspapers and it was misconstrued. Rochester Police Chief Paul Magee took umbrage with what I said about the local police chiefs and I talked to him and he was neither in favor nor opposed to a regional dispatch center, but he would be willing to serve on a study committee looking into its viability."

There being no further matters to discuss in Open Session, they unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 8:30 pm and would thereafter adjourn for the evening.



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Selectman Lombard said that he was happy to see the increased participation, and he feels that in the difficult economy, many seniors will need more assistance in the years ahead. The board congratulated Dr. Williams on a job well done.

The next appointment at 7:15 pm was with Fire Chief Ronald Scott who announced his intention to retire after many years of service to the Fire Department and 16 years as Fire Chief. Chairman Lombard thanked Chief Scott for all his years of service and the exceptional job he has done running the department. He hoped that he would enjoy his retirement and his motor home. The board seconded his remarks. Chairman Lombard then moved that they appoint Deputy Chief Andrew Murray as Interim Chief until a permanent replacement can be found. The board voted unanimously to accept the motion.

Following this, Chairman Lombard announced that he will not be seeking re-election to another three-year term on the Board of Selectman this year. He gave sincere thanks for having been able to work with such good people — department heads, employees, personnel, residents, and the other board members even through some tough decisions.

"It is an honor to serve the town," he said. He also thanked the representatives of the press for their fair and

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At 7:30 pm, the board met with the members of the Finance Committee (FinCom) and the local School Committee to discuss the ground rules concerning the 2010 budget. They are asking all department heads to look at the 2009 budget and see what they can do to reduce spending for 2010. Letters have been sent to both the local and regional School Committees outlining the projections for reduced aid to the towns.

At this point, a resident rose to ask a question about the tax rate and the increase in the tax bills which have just been issued. Chairman Lombard answered the way in which the tax value is figured, and the tax rate can only be increased by two-and-a-half percent over this figure. The actual tax rate went down but the assessment may have changed.

Chairman Lombard reiterated that the meeting in progress was between the FinCom and the School Committee. The resident still wanted to know why his tax bill had increased some 25 percent. They replied that it would depend on his assessment, and his questions would have to be answered by the Board of Assessors. He would have the opportunity to ask for an abatement from the Board of Assessors.

Mr. Botelho then reported the actual figures of the revenues for the town and the increase in new revenues. In answer to the question about oversight of the Asses-

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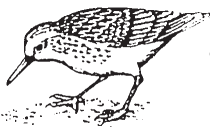
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sors, the answer was that the Department of Revenue (DOR) has to examine the figures and certify the numbers. He can apply to the DOR for a hearing. His other recourse as a voter is to vote for the assessors at the Annual Town Election or to run for the Board of Assessors himself. The Selectmen reiterated that the Board of Assessors are all knowledgeable people and the Board of Selectmen cannot, by law, interfere with their process. The discussion became very involved but was carefully explained to the resident.

The meeting with the FinCom and the local School Committee then resumed. A letter to both the local and regional School Committees asked that when they prepare the FY 2010 budget they consider a projected 5- to 10-percent reduction in state aid for 2010. The board is hoping that the bailout money for schools, which is reported to be under consideration, may help to ease the problem for the schools. Chairman Lombard said that they are meeting with every department head and asking them to plan on looking at ways they can reduce their budget for 2010 considering the projected cut in state aid. They are asking for cooperation from every department.

Members of the School Committee reiterated the difficulty in anticipating the budget for Special Needs Education. Some years it remains relatively level, but if there are residential placements necessary, the expense increases exponentially. They suggest that it might be feasible to consider something like a Stabilization Fund



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Under announcements for the week, the board noted:

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At press time, the board still had some items remaining on their agenda which they would cover before adjourning for the evening.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

January 5, 2009

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Monday, January 5 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Richard Nunes. Also present were Selectman Dan McGaffey, Selectman Bradford Morse, Town Administrator Richard LaCamera, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere.

The board first approved the minutes of the December 22, 2008 meeting, then approved a Class I license for the sale of new motor vehicles for R.F. Morse and Sons, Inc.

Under the Town Administrator's report, Mr.

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Mr. LaCamera advised the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA) had also provided projected figures for both the current and next fiscal years and advised that Governor Deval Patrick plans to ask the House and Senate this week for permission to reduce local aid for the current, FY 2009 budget.

"It was something that was talked about but we weren't sure until now," Mr. LaCamera said. "This would cover an additional \$1 billion deficit on top of what was

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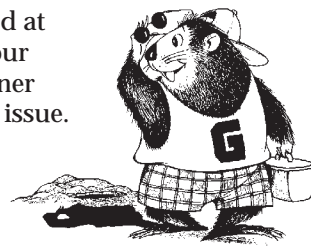
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originally projected. So there may potentially have to be some cuts made within the current fiscal year, which is difficult in January when you have only five months left. That's not good news. As you know, we've had a difficult winter so far — we've already spent our budget for sand and salt. We've got enough for a couple of more storms, because we stockpile it, but we may need more. We'll see what happens. I just hope we don't have to make significant cuts, because that will impact everyone."

Noting he anticipates getting the Governor's final budget proposal on January 28, Mr. LaCamera said he expects further cuts to be made in FY 2010 as well.

"Revenues are way day, especially in capital gains, and the stock market hasn't helped," Mr. LaCamera said. "Excise taxes are also down. It's going to be interesting. I've got most of the capital budgets back ... and the rest of the operating budgets should be in by January 28. At that time we should have a good idea of what the state revenues are going to be ... and plan from there."

Under correspondence, the board received a letter from MassRecycle urging continued support for town wide recycling initiatives.

"As a town we do a very good job recycling overall — I think we're about 40 percent, which is much better than the state average," Mr. LaCamera said. "The problem we have now is the market has fallen out, especially recyclable paper products. And there's only one paper plant in Massachusetts that accepts recycled products. I went to a meeting with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) recently and that was a major issue. One of the major causes is a decline in the newspaper industry. There's been a significant decrease in newspaper distribution ... people either cancel them or they're reading news online now. That trend is going to continue, because young people don't buy newspapers, they read every-

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The board also approved a request from the Rochester Democratic Committee to use the Town Hall on January 31 to hold a caucus, and appointed James Austin to the Rochester Memorial School Building Committee as a representative from the Finance Committee (FinCom).

Chairman Nunes noted the Planning Board will hold a Site Plan Review Hearing on Tuesday, January 13 at 7:45 pm in the Rochester Town Hall upon an application for Covanta/SEMASS for proposed changes to the facility including a renewable diesel pilot facility and a new administrative building.

“This is a good concept,” Mr. LaCamera said. “It’s a pilot program ... they’re attempting to use a German

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technology where they take recyclable goods and turn it into diesel fuel.”

Chairman Nunes also announced they are still attempting to settle on a date to meet with Town Clerk Naida Parker, Police Chief Paul Magee, and Town Counsel Blair Bailey to discuss dog licensing issues for 2009.

In other matters, Selectman Dan McGaffey officially announced that he intends to seek re-election to the board this year during the town’s annual election in April.

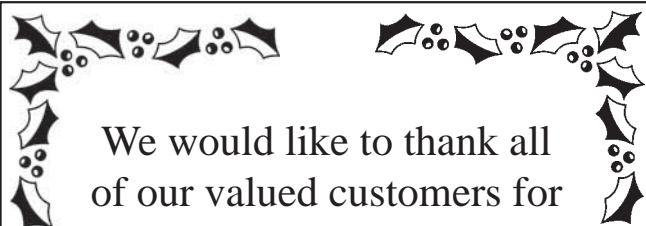
There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 7:20 pm.

Sports Shorts

By Robert Chiarito

While the majority of the student body was enjoying some rest and relaxation time over the course of the holiday break, area student-athletes were busy competing with a full slate of games waiting for them under the Christmas Tree. Tri-Town teams played with a mixture of success over the break, with some mining wins of silver and gold while others piled up losses like so many lumps of coal.

The **Old Rochester/Fairhaven Hockey Team** got off to a slow start as they lost their first two games of the season. Over the break the team rolled through a five-game unbeaten streak, including wins in each of their last four games, before they were stopped at Dartmouth 6-3 on Monday afternoon, January 5. During the streak the Bulldogs scored no less than six goals per game beginning with a 6-6 tie at home versus Somerset on Tuesday, December 23. That was followed by a 7-3 win at New Bedford high School on December 27 with **Brennan Goguen** netting five of the seven goals on the game. Goguen followed that performance with a six-point effort on De-



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December 29 at Durfee as he scored one goal and assisted on five others. **Gage Silva** and **Sean Allaire** each contributed two goals in the win. Silva led the way on New Year's Eve scoring four goals as ORR/Fairhaven went on the road to down Avon High School, 7-2. The win streak wrapped up as the Bulldogs traveled to Durfee and posted a 12-4 win that saw **Brennan Goguen** score six more points with a two goal and four assist night. The Bulldogs are now 4-3-1 on the season.

Another area team on a hot streak was the **Old Colony Cougars Girls Basketball Team**, who have won each of their last five games by playing stifling defense having allowed no more than 36 points in any of their wins. Over the break the Lady Cougars won two games downing Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School 56-34 on December 23. **Nicole Mareiro** once again led the way for Old Colony as she scored 25 points to lead Old Colony. On Monday, December 29 the Cougars downed Bristol/Plymouth Voke Tech at home with a 56-36 victory. **Chelsea Lambalot** led the Cougar scoring attack with 18 points while Mareiro added 17. The **Lady Cougars** extended their win streak to five games as they downed Tri-County Tech at home 30-28 on Monday, January 5. **Chelsea Lambalot** once again led the Cougar's scoring attack with 10 points.

David Hill and the **Old Colony Boys Basketball Team** are also off to a good start as they have won five of their first six games with Hill averaging over 20 points per night. On Monday, January 5 Hill scored 24 points in a 60-54 win at Sacred Heart High School. The team split its two games over the break winning 65-49 at home over Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School on December 23. The Cougars lost their contest on December 29 at Bristol/Plymouth Voke Tech, 67-62.

The **Old Rochester Girls Basketball Team** is off



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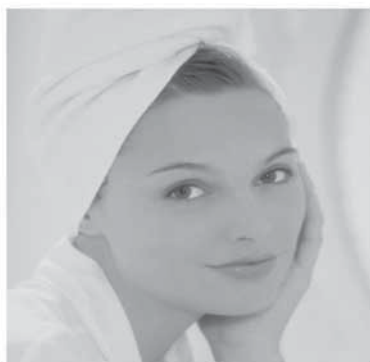
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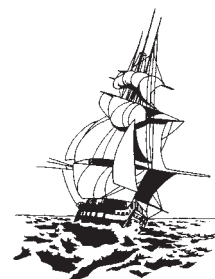


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to a solid start for the 2008-2009 season as they have posted wins in three of their first five games. Over the break, the **Lady Bulldogs** reeled off a three-game win streak that saw them first winning at home over their Route 6 rivals Fairhaven, 48-29, on December 23. **Brittany Lees** was the game's leading scorer as she notched 13 points for ORR. The **Lady Bulldogs** then won two road games as they downed Greater New Bedford Regional Voke Tech High School, 62-36, in New Bedford on Saturday, December 27. Lees once again was the game's top scorer as she finished with 19 points. ORR finished the win streak with a 34-32 win at Wareham on Monday, December 29. The Lady Bulldogs had their winning streak snapped as they lost 36-23 at home to an undefeated Bourne team. Old Rochester is now 3-2 on the season both overall and in SCC play.

The **Old Rochester Boys Basketball Team** has lost four straight after winning their season opener. They are now 1-4 overall on the year.

At the **Auerbach Freshman Sophomore Invitational Meet** at the Reggie Lewis Center in Boston on Saturday, January 3, Old Rochester's **Dana Dourdeville** won the mile race with a time of 4:33:80. This time broke the school record, which had been unchallenged since 1969. **Therese Morss** also placed fourth in the girls 55 hurdles. **ORYF Cheerleading**

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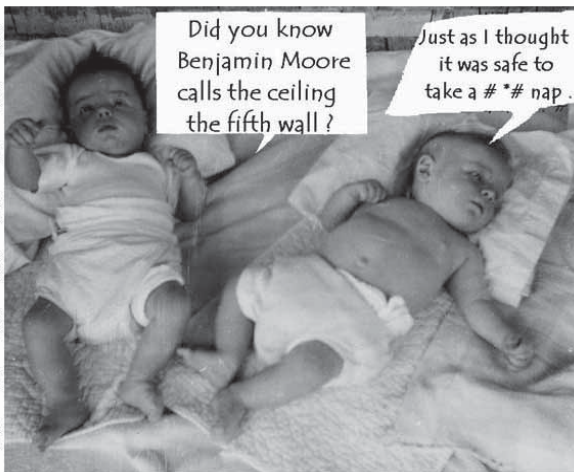
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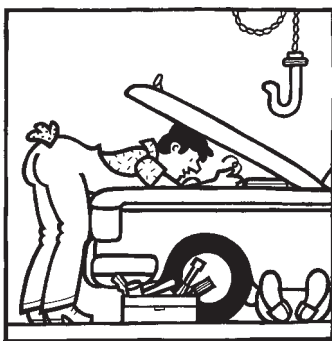
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Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

I would like to thank the Town Hall, the Fire and Police Departments, and everyone else who has shared their words of encouragement and kindness with me over the last few weeks since my accident. Your get well wishes are very much appreciated! Thank you, thank you.

Sincerely,

Selectman George P. Randall
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To the Editor:

We notice that after each special function of the town, (Melody Pacheco has) written a special "thank you" to all who helped. This certainly is a wonderful thing for the town and it keeps the town together in wanting to help in all their own way. It's part of what makes the town special. Now (Ms. Pacheco) deserves a special "thank you" from all who appreciate the news in *The Wanderer* and care about the town in their own way.

Thank you, Melody, for your caring and the nice note you write each time; and to *The Wanderer*; too, for keeping up with what keeps Mattapoisett special.

Thank you from a couple of longtime residents!

Sincerely,

Jane and Dick Chase
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To the Editor:

This letter is being sent to inform residents of a 45-unit, 40B development being proposed in the Town of Marion between 512 and 525 County Road, referred to as "County Road Family Housing." This project has been under consideration and discussion for several months without any attempt from the town or developer to notify abutters. A letter of intent was signed on May 30, 2008 and the developers submitted to the town their plans and program for the development on July 14, 2008. The project was discussed at the Marion Affordable Housing Trust meetings in October and November, not including monthly "executive sessions" for that period of time. Late notice



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With the 90-plus space parking lot, the amount of traffic in and out onto the already-deplorable County Road without sidewalks would be devastating to the neighbors and the road itself. Because of the close proximity to single-family homes in the area, property values would plummet, quality of life would no longer be (the same) and would we have any rights left? Affordable housing units are normally placed near services so residents can move around and have their needs met easily.

With the higher-than-normal water table in this area and the drainage problems already being a hazard on County Road, it is unimaginable what putting 10,000 gallons of water per day into the ground would do to the surrounding homes and the bogs that surround this development. We mostly have concerns for our drinking water and septic system. Having lived here for 29 years we're aware of the vernal pools, peepers during the summer, deer and wildlife that live in and around the old carriage paths that are used for walking and will now be cleared.

Baywatch developers have assured us they are moving forward with their 192 units and with Littleneck Village being approved the town has satisfied their requirement of 40B housing and earned at least a two-year grace period. So, you have to ask, why is the town entertaining another 40B development in a most unlikely location?

The Marion Affordable Housing Trust meetings are scheduled for the second Monday of each month, the next being January 12 at 7:00 pm. Of interest is also the Marion Selectmen's meetings, the next being on January 20 at 7:00 pm. We urge resi-



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Sincerely,
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The Maconchu Club of the Mattapoissett Congregational Church is planning its annual Bingo Night on Saturday, January 17 at 7:30 pm at the church. It's a fun night and anyone is welcome to join in.

As part of the fun, players are asked to bring some small "treasure," unwrapped and inexpensive, to use as prizes for the lucky winners. Coffee and dessert will round out the evening and guests are always welcome.

Rochester Land Protected

The latest success to come out of the on-going partnership between the Coalition for Buzzards Bay and the Rochester Land Trust is the protection of nearly eight acres along Hartley Road. While the property is still owned by the Lawrence family, the two organizations now co-hold a conservation restriction on the parcel,

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which limits further development and permanently protects forested uplands, wetlands, frontage on Snow's Pond, a small one-acre island, and an abandoned cranberry bog.

The property is additionally important as it lies within the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's Zone II, which is indicative of being important to drinking water supply aquifers and is designated as Critical Supporting Watershed land, which has the greatest potential for sustaining freshwater biodiversity by Mass Wildlife's Natural Heritage and Endangered Species Program. The property serves as a natural buffer to maintain the water quality of Snow's Pond, the Mattapoissett River, and by extension, Buzzards Bay.

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"This conservation restriction expands the amount of protected land in the immediate area, as there is an agricultural preservation restriction on 188 acres of working farmland directly across Hartley Road," said Allen Decker, Coalition Director of Land Protection. "It also builds on the protection of Snow's Pond because protected frontage on the pond is shared with the Wildlands Trust of Southeastern Massachusetts' 40-acre Robinson-Gilmore Preserve."

Snow's Pond is a coastal plain pond, which is a type of pond that is locally common, but considered globally rare. Such ponds are relics of the last glacial period, which occurred more than 12,000 years ago, and formed when large blocks of ice were left behind; creating depressions, which later became ponds.

"This co-held conservation restriction, our fifth in Rochester, acts as a dual protection effort, which allows us to play a back-up role if in the future, anything were to happen to the land trust," Mr. Decker said. "This is a strategy we offer to all land trusts that work in the Buzzards Bay watershed, as it's a protective model that provides the highest level of assurance that this land will always remain protected."

The Rochester Land Trust will serve as the day-to-day point of contact with the landowner, while the Coalition will provide technical expertise and perform any necessary documentation on the property.

"The Lawrence family appreciates the property's natural setting and wants to ensure it remains that way in perpetuity," said Russ Keeler, Vice President of the Rochester Land Trust. "Together with the Coalition, we can guarantee that the property will always remain as open space that lessens the impacts on Snow's Pond and provides good wildlife habitat."

Marion Center Awarded

The Marion Art Center has been selected for the 2008 Best of Marion Award in the Art Galleries and Dealers category by the U.S. Local Business Association (USLBA).

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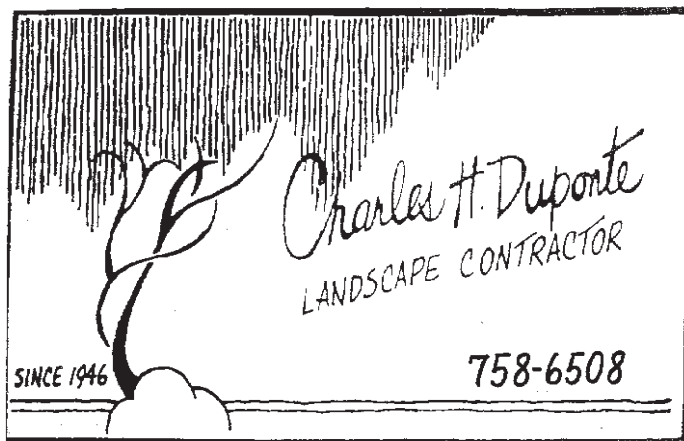
Various sources of information were gathered and analyzed to choose the winners in each category. The 2008 USLBA Award Program focused on quality, not quantity. Winners are determined based on the information gathered both internally by the USLBA and data provided by third parties.

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2009 Census - Each household should be receiving a Town census form within the next few weeks. Please look it over carefully, make any additions, corrections or deletions necessary, sign and return to this office as soon as possible. If you are a registered voter, non-response to census may result in removal from the active voting list.

Town Nomination Papers - nomination papers are available for the following Town Offices: Selectman, Assessor, Mattapoisett School Committee, Library Trustee, Moderator, Water/Sewer Commissioner, Highway Surveyor, Board of Health, Planning Board, Mattapoisett Housing Authority, and Community Preservation Committee. The last day to obtain papers is *Friday March 27, 2009* and they must be returned by *Monday March 30, 2009*. The Town Election is scheduled for Tuesday May 19, 2009.

Sippican Choral Society

The Sippican Choral Society welcomes new members for the spring semester. Rehearsals for the 2009 Spring concert, "Days of Blue and Gray," will begin on Monday January 12 at 7:30 pm. New members may join until January 26 and no auditions are required. The Spring concert will be held May 8 and May 9 at St. Gabriel's Church in Marion, and will feature music of the Civil



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War era. Rehearsals will be held on Monday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 pm in the Mattapoisett Congregational Church's Reynard Hall, 27 Church Street, Mattapoisett. For more information, please contact: osuch1@aol.com.

Rochester's Plumb Library

Following are upcoming programs to be held at the Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester:

- "Bring Your Manuscript to Publication" workshop, lead by Alberta Sequeira, author of *A Healing Heart: A Spiritual Renewal*, will be held on Tuesday, January 13 from 6:00 to 9:00 pm at the Rochester Council on Aging, 67 Dexter Lane, Rochester. Alberta will instruct you on how to get your writing published. Space is limited, and an instruction manual will be given to all participants, so pre-registration is required. Register by Saturday, January 10 at the Plumb Library, or call 508-763-8600. This Life-long Access program is being funded through the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners with funds from LSTA, a Federal source of library funding provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services. EqualAccess Libraries is a professional development program sponsored by Libraries for the Future.

- Non-Fiction Book Group: The January book is *The Children's Blizzard* by David Laskin. On Thursday, January 12, 1888, the temperature on the Dakota prairie dropped 18 degrees in three minutes. This disastrous blizzard revealed that the free homesteads given to thou-

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sands of immigrants was not a paradise. Our discussion will take place on Tuesday, January 20 at 6:30 pm at the library. Books are available at the library.

- Cafe Parlez book group: On Thursday, January 29 at 6:30, they will be discussing *The Widow's War* by Sally Gunning. In a small Cape Cod village in 1761, one woman is about to engage in the struggle of her life, defying family, friends, and neighbors in a fight for her freedom. Books are available at the library.

- Ongoing programs: Sit-n-stitch knitting group takes place every Monday from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. All knitters, crocheters, and quilters are invited; beginners are welcome. The Genealogy group meets every Thursday from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Anyone interested in family or local

history is invited to come by.

ORR Screening Clinic

The Old Rochester Regional School District will offer a screening clinic for Tri-Town families with children from birth through age five on Wednesday, January 28, 2009 at the Sippican School in Marion. The purpose of the clinic is to take a quick look at a child's development including speech/language, gross and fine motor and cognitive development and determine if further evaluation is required. If a family has a concern about their child's development in any of these areas, please call 508-748-0100 to schedule an appointment. Children from birth up to age three will be screened by Early Intervention specialists from the I. H. Schwartz Center. Preschoolers will be screened by a public school early childhood/special education team.

Nasketucket Bird Club

At the next public meeting of the Nasketucket Bird Club, guest speaker Jerry Berrier, disabled by blindness, will describe his methods for identifying a wide variety of bird species

The Nasketucket Bird Club meeting on Thursday, January 22 begins at 7:00 pm at the Mattapoisett Public Library. The public is invited to attend to learn not only how Mr. Berrier developed this remarkable skill, but about the tools he uses to aid in his bird identification.



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Mr. Berrier works professionally as an Access Technology Training Consultant for the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind. His community activities include designing and maintaining the Bay State Council of the Blind web site, and President of the Memorial Foundation for the Blind, a charitable foundation.

The public is cordially invited to attend. Please use the south side door of the Mattapoissett Public Library, located on 7 Barstow Street. For further information, please call club president Mike Labossiere at 508-758-4460.

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Deaths

Beverly Lawe Hiller, died peacefully, with family, on November 28, 2008. She was born in Maine, then settled for most of her life in Mattapoisett.

She was known to most for her long walks, love of the beach and the wonders of nature.

She leaves three children, Sally Hiller Brockenbrough, Matthew Hiller and Nelson R. Hiller, as well as three grandchildren, four great grandchildren and a faithful cat. We will all miss her.



Mary K. (McKay) Wordell, 76, of Mattapoisett died December 23, 2008 at St. Luke's Hospital after a long illness. She was the wife of Walter J. Wordell.

Born in Boston she was the daughter of the late George H. and Margaret A. (Blessington) McKay. After marriage she lived in Ossining, NY for 33 years while summering in Mattapoisett, retiring to Mattapoisett in 1992. Mrs. Wordell was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church in Mattapoisett.

She was formerly employed as a school teacher with the Stoughton, MA public schools, Ossining, NY public schools and Holy Name of Mary School in Croton, NY, until retirement.

Mrs. Wordell was a graduate of Lesley College and received her Masters in Education degree from Boston State Teachers College.

Survivors include her husband; her son, David Wordell and his wife Sarah of Fairhaven; four daughters, Paula Spengeman and her husband Peter and Susan Rodriguez, all of Verplanck, NY, MaryBeth Rock and her husband Michael of Raleigh, NC and Julie Ford and her husband Philip of Carmel, NY; 12 grandchildren, Peter, Stephanie, Alphonso, Alyssa, Nicholas, Jesse, Matthew, Katherine, Nathaniel, Angelica, Amanda and Drew.

She was the sister of the late George P. McKay and Sr. Margaret Rita McKay, SND.

Arrangments by Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Road (Route 6) Mattapoisett. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Claire Eugenie Fortin Gaudet, 85, of Tremont Street, Rehoboth, MA, died peacefully Wednesday morning, December 24, 2008, at her home in the company of her family, after a long illness.

She leaves her beloved husband of 63 years, Dr. Eugene E. Gaudet. She also leaves seven children, son, Dr. Eugene E. Gaudet Jr., and his wife, Dr. Veronique of Millau, France; daughter, Suzanne C. McBride and her husband, Tim of Teaneck, NJ; son, Dr. Charles J. Gaudet and his wife, Catherine R. Whelan of Portsmouth, NH; son, Dr. Philip R. Gaudet and wife, Katherine of Mattapoisett, MA; son, Peter M. Gaudet and partner, Cynthia Patch, of Taunton, MA; daughter, Michelle E. Fisher and husband, Edward of Tiverton, RI; daughter, Roberta M. Burke and husband, Dr. Arthur

Burke, of South Dartmouth, MA; 18 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Claire graduated from Pawtucket East High School in 1940, and was employed as a research assistant for Mr. Fred Friendly of WEAN Radio for the program "Footprints in the Sands of Time." She was passionate about her family, camping, travel and the outdoors.

Arrangements by the Heroux Funeral Home, 1042 Newport Avenue, Pawtucket, RI. Donations can be made at the Cancer Center at the Miriam Hospital Foundation, Box H, Providence, RI, 02901.

Frederic Farnham, 75 of Westport, MA, died December 25, 2008, at Charlton Memorial Hospital after a brief illness. He was the beloved husband of Florence (Standley) Farnham for 47 years.

Mr. Farnham was born in Dover, MA and raised in Newton, MA. He attended Middlebury College and graduated from Clark University. He was an accomplished boat builder and was Alan Vaites first employee at Vaites Boat Yard in Mattapoisett, MA. After many years building fine wooden boats, he changed careers and became a wood shop teacher at Hastings Middle School where he worked for 32 years.

He was an avid boater, reader, and carver of wooden boat models. He also enjoyed classical music and spending time with family.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Farnham is survived by his son, Scott Farnham of Mattapoisett; his daughter, Stephanie Novacek, her husband Robert, and granddaughter Mallory, all of Lunenburg, MA; his brother Henry Farnham and wife Gretchen of West Barnstable, MA. Mr. Farnham was predeceased by his parents, Ralph and Betty Farnham of Osterville, MA.

Arrangments by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road (Route 6), Mattapoisett. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.

Carolyn Mae (Wright) Newett, 66, formerly of Fairhaven, died Thursday, December 25, 2008, at home after a long illness. Born and raised in Middleboro, the daughter of the late Arthur and the late Mildred H. (Winterhalter) Wright, she lived in Fairhaven for the past 30 years before going to live with her son in Dartmouth.

Ms. Newett was a graduate of Middleboro High School. She loved volunteering at the Dartmouth Council on Aging and was an avid gardener and animal lover.

She is survived by her two sons, Michael Machnik and his wife Cheri of Rochester, and Stephen Machnik and his wife Lisa of Dartmouth; three grandchildren, Justin, Jacob and Joshua Machnik, all of Rochester; and several cousins.

In accordance with her wishes, she was cremated and private arrangements were conducted by the Fairhaven Funeral Home, 117 Main Street, Fairhaven. To light a candle, or sign the memorial register, visit www.hathawayfunerals.com.

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George Viveiros, of Mattapoisett passed away on December 27 at Crawford Nursing Home in Fall River at the age of 79. Born and raised in Fall River, he was son of the late John and Mary Catherine (Moniz) Viveiros.

He graduated from Durfee High School in 1948, and attended Georgia Tech, where he studied architecture and structural engineering. In 1958, upon discharge from the Air Force, he furthered his studies at Arizona State University where he studied civil engineering, and earned a degree in engineering science. He was also awarded a graduate assistantship at Arizona State and attended graduate school.

George served as Captain in the United States Air Force as a pilot and an engineer. Besides flying duties, he was Squadron Commander of Installation, Group Commander. To boost morale, he established and coached a successful squadron basketball team. He acted as architect/engineer on several military projects, including Capehart Housing, and remodeling an old theatre for the Officers' Wives Little Theater Group.

A well-known building contractor in southeastern Massachusetts, he acquired the building construction firm of Olson and Appleby, Inc. in 1961. He operated the firm until he retired in 1985. After retiring, he designed a successful line of jewelry marketed to the animal-showing population, which became Matamass Products. It involved photo printing animal pictures in rhodium findings, and had a national customer base.

George was involved in the community through various means, including the United Fund and Fairhaven Lions Club, serving as president in 1964. He was also a dog breeder, and active in showing his Doberman Pinschers, two of which became national champions in the United States, Canada and Bermuda.

He is survived by two sisters, Mary V. Swygert of Tiverton, RI and Delores V. Edmondson of Glen Ellyn, IL; caring nephew John Paul Viveiros of Fall River; 14 nieces and nephews; eight grand nieces and nephews throughout the U.S.

He was the brother of the late John "Jay Vee" Viveiros of Swansea, Lucy Anslinger of Evansville, IN and Alice Ferris of Fall River. Arrangements by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road (Route 6), Mattapoisett.

Rita C. (Costello) Caires, 83, of Mattapoisett died December 26, 2008 at St. Luke's Hospital after a brief illness. She was the wife of the late Charles H. Caires.

Born and raised in Boston, the daughter of the late Thomas and Bridget (Clarke) Costello, she has lived in Mattapoisett since 1968.

Mrs. Caires was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church. She was formerly employed by New England Telephone for many years until retirement. Mrs. Caires was a member of Telephone Pioneers and the Mattapoisett Women's Club. She enjoyed needlework and travel.

Survivors include three stepdaughters, Joy Holt of

Tucson, AZ; Jayne Tropiano of Mt. Juliette, TN; and Julie Caires of Mystic, CT; a sister, Mary O'Keefe of Madison, CT; nine grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

She was the sister of the late Margaret Kirby, Walter, Richard, John, Thomas, Francis, Redmond and James Costello.

Arrangements by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Road (Route 6), Mattapoisett. Remembrances may be made to the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement, P.O. Box 300, Garrison, NY 10524.

Neal F. Anderson, age 50, of Lynn, formerly of New Bedford, passed away on December 30, 2008, after a 15-month struggle with colon cancer. He was the husband of Tracy (Gillon) Anderson.

Neal was born and raised in Chippewa Township, PA, the son of Marguerite (Perrota) and Charles Jenkins. He graduated from Black Hawk High School, Beaver Falls, PA in 1976, where he received a football and scholastic scholarship to Cornell University. He graduated from Cornell in 1981.

Neal had lived for the past 20 years in the Taunton/New Bedford area. He was the former Project Manager for Brouillette and Sons Roofing in Taunton from 1989-1995, later going on to own his own business, Screen Works, from 1995-2007. The business was located in Mattapoisett and later moved to Fairhaven, MA. Neal relocated to Lynn in July to be closer to family and friends. He also had a great love of history and antiques and spent many hours restoring old homes in his free time.

In addition to his wife and parents, he is survived by his son, Jacob, age 4; his daughter, Emma, age 6; his brother, Mark Anderson; his step-brother, Charles Jenkins, Jr.; and his nieces, Laura Lewis and Elizabeth Schreiber; as well as many wonderful friends. He is the brother of the late Susan Anderson Weinrich.

Arrangements by the Solimine, Landergan and Richardson Funeral Home, 426 Broadway (Route 129), Lynn. Donations may be made to Kaplan Family Hospice House, c/o 75 Sylvan St., Suite B-102, Danvers, MA 01923.

Eleanore E. (Boulanger) Belanger, 90, of Mattapoisett, died Tuesday, December 30, 2008, at Sunrise Assisted Living where she resided for just over two years. She was the wife of the late Wilfrid J. Belanger; they had been married for 67 years.

Born in Bridgewater, the daughter of the late Leonidas and Edna (L'Oiselle) Boulanger, she lived in New Bedford for many years while summering in Mattapoisett. In 1968, she and her husband moved to Mattapoisett permanently. She was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church.

A devoted wife and mother, Eleanore was an active participant in her husband's small business ventures. She was a Knights of Columbus Wife and helped with numerous fundraisers. As a member of the funeral luncheon ministry, she baked and served for funeral guests in the church hall. She was also active in the Christmas fair at her church.

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The council will meet at the Center School from 6:00 to 8:00 pm on Tuesday, January 20. Child care is available by pre-registration only. Please call 508-748-1863 by January 13 to arrange for care.

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Mattapoisett Women's Club

Travel to a far away city once ruled by sultans, and today, continues as the number one beach location in East Africa, the Zanzibar Islands off the Tanzanian coast. Speaker Kathy Sanderson, a sales manager for AAA, will presents "Something Nearby or Something Afar" as she whisks the Mattapoisett Women's Club to this wonderful island destination. Come see classic tropical beaches, and lush plantations, learn about an incredible history and a fascinating culture.

Several domestic excursions are on this virtual tour, as well. New York, where the city dishes up exquisite gastronomic delights, and there is nothing quite like charming Cape Cod in the fall and winter. No traffic makes it a fun time to reconnect with the Cape — it is totally unlike the summer experience. Browse the art galleries or visit the Maritime Museum. And for the more adventurous, bundle up for the cold and hike out to Race Point in Provincetown for some amazing winter birding, see close up the beautiful and exceptionally graceful jaegers, murre, razorbills, loons and the winter ducks.

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Please join the club on Thursday, January 15 at 12:00 noon in Reynard Hall at Mattapoisett's Congregational Church, 27 Church Street. Guests always welcome.

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She is survived by her children, Claire Bessette and her husband, Russell, and Diane Garde and her husband, Bob, all of Mattapoisett; seven grandchildren, Danielle (Bessette) Galley and her husband, Paul, Leanne (Bessette) Nadeau, Brandon Garde and his wife, Stephanie, Melissa (Garde) Root and her husband, Jonathan, Trenton Garde and his wife, Christine, Sara Garde, and Amanda Garde; 14 great-grandchildren, Rose and Laura Galley, Nicholas, Abigail, Christian, Andrew, and David Nadeau, Zachary and Cameron Garde, Madeleine, Aidan, and Allison Root, and Kyle and Emma Garde; her sisters, Annette Forgue and Vivian Manghan, both of New Bedford; and several nieces, nephews, and godchildren.

She was the sister of the late Armand Boulanger.

Arrangements by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road (Route 6), Mattapoisett. Private Entombment will be in Notre Dame Cemetery Mausoleum, Fall River.

Remembrances may be made to the Lighthouse Foundation, Beacon Hospice, 182 North Main Street, Fall River, MA 02720 or the Alzheimer's Association, 311 Arsenal Street, Watertown, MA 02472.

Muriel Barrows Neall, age 89, of Middletown, RI, formerly of Tiverton, RI, Marion, MA, and West Hartford, CT, died December 17, 2008. Mrs. Neall was the wife of the late James F. Neall and mother of the late John Neall. She is survived by her sister-in-law, Amabel Barrows of Marion and several nieces and nephews, including Madeline Cooke, Amabel Allen, Sally Gray Neall, Christopher Neall and Timothy Neall.

She was born in Plainfield, New Jersey and graduated from The Wardlaw-Hartridge School and Sweet Briar College. She served with the American Red Cross during World War II. She was a member of the staff of Trinity Episcopal Church in Hartford and the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. She was a member of the Church of the Good Shepherd in Wareham, MA and for many years was the wharfinger on the town dock in Marion.

Services were private. Arrangements were by the Pocasset Funeral Home, Tiverton, RI.

Albert Alvernaz, 88, of Mattapoisett died Thursday, January 1, 2009 at the Oaks Nursing Home. He was the husband of the late Evelyn (Page) Alvernaz.

Born in Middletown, RI, the son of the late Antonio B. and Laura (Sylvia) Alvernaz, he lived in Mattapoisett most of his life.

He was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church.

Mr. Alvernaz was a radio and television technician operating Al's Radio and TV Service for many years.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army in the European Theater participating in the Battles of the Rhineland and Central Europe.

He was a member of the Dr. C.E. Burt Chapter 7 Disabled American Veterans and the Fort Phoenix Post Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was a graduate of Fairhaven High School.

Survivors include two nephews, Antone Alvernaz of

Fairhaven; and Roger William Alvernaz of New Mexico; and a niece, Lenora Dugan of Fall River.

He was the brother of the late Mary Legendre, Antone Alvernaz, and William S. Alvernaz.

Arrangments were by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Road (Route 6), Mattapoisett. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250, or St. Anthony's Church, P.O. Box 501, Mattapoisett, MA 02739.

Mary E. (Matthews) DePina, 95, of Marion, died January 1, 2009 in Tobey Hospital. She was the wife of John DePina, Sr. They were married for 79 years, holding the record as the longest married couple in Massachusetts.

She was the daughter of the late Manuel and Julia (Pina) Matthews. Mrs. DePina was born in Wareham and lived most of her life in Marion.

She was a communicant of St. Rita's Church. She enjoyed playing Bingo, going to Foxwoods, gardening and cooking. She especially loved her grandchildren. Survivors include her widower; three sons, John DePina, Jr. of East Freetown, Donald DePina of New Bedford and Manuel DePina of Hyde Park; four daughters, Jeannette Oliveira of Roslindale, Lorraine Gonsalves of Georgia, Dolores O'Neil and her husband Joseph of Fairhaven and Inez Delgado of Kingston; 23 grandchildren; 36 great grandchildren; 15 great great grandchildren; one great-great-great grandchild. Another son, Jules DePina predeceased her.

Arrangements by the Chapman, Cole and Gleason Funeral Home, 2599 Cranberry Highway (Route 28), Wareham.

Thomas Livsey, 87, of Mattapoisett died January 3, 2009 at St. Luke's Hospital after a long illness.

He was the husband of the late Gladys M. (Lomas) Livsey with whom he shared 59 years of marriage.

Born in Fall River, the son of the late Carl and Emily (Clarke) Livsey, he was raised in New Bedford before moving to Mattapoisett in 1954.


Mr. Livsey was a member of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church.

He served his apprenticeship as a sheet metal worker at the Newport Torpedo Station before serving in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. After the service he continued in the sheet metal industry becoming a registered professional engineer with Milhench, Inc. retiring as vice president. Mr. Livsey enjoyed sailing.

Survivors include a son, James D. Livsey and his wife Barbara of Rochester; a daughter, Susan L. Livsey of Nashua, NH; a grandson, Jeffrey T. Livsey, Jr. of Mattapoisett and his mother Beth Livsey of Marion.

He was the father of the late Jeffrey T. Livsey, Sr. and the brother of the late Raymond Livsey, Carl Livsey, Alton Livsey, Sarah Anderton and Doris Anderton.

Arrangments by the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home For Funerals, 50 County Road (Route 6), Mattapoisett. For guestbook, please visit www.saundersdwyer.com.



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Mattapoissett Taxes Due

The third quarter of the 2009 Actual Tax Bills are due Monday, February 2. Tax bills were mailed on December 31, 2008. Taxpayers should retain the fourth quarter payment coupon for payment due by May 1.

Taxpayers are encouraged to register for making on-line payments on the eBill website at www.mcc.net. By using eBill taxpayers can have their payments withdrawn from their checking or savings accounts or can make payments using MasterCard, American Express and Discover credit cards. Payments can be made using eBill until 11:59 pm on the due date of February 2.

Other options for taxpayers are to mail their payments to P.O. Box 1596 or deposit payments in the mail slot located near the back corner of Town Hall. Payments are due in the Collector's Office no later than 4:00 pm on February 2, therefore, taxpayers should allow sufficient time for mail travel when mailing payments. If paying by personal online banking, taxpayers should allow sufficient time for the bank to generate a check and mail it to the Town; and they should make sure there is sufficient information on the check identifying which bill should be credited with the payment. The Tax Collector's Office is open for business Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm.

According to state statute, failure to receive a tax bill does not relieve the taxpayer of the requirement to pay the tax bill and any resulting penalties and interest if



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The Rochester Road Race Board recently presented a check for \$3,000 to Father Gabriel Healy, Co-Director and Treasurer of Damien's Food Pantry in Wareham. Pictured, from left are board members Travis Van Hall and Chuck Kantner; Father Gabriel Healy, Co-Director of Damien's Pantry; and board members Scott Muller and Kevin Cassidy. Just after the race, they also delivered 247 pounds of food donated by race participants on the day of the event. The Road Race donation was made possible through participant fees and the generosity of the race's title sponsor, Covanta/SEMASS, whose energy facility is located in Rochester. Race day volunteers, including students from the ORR High School Track program, also contributed time and energy to make the race a success. The Family Pantry - Damien's Place provides food free of charge to those in need including families, the disabled and elderly. The facility is located at 3065 Cranberry Highway in Wareham and is open Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 10:00 am to 12:00 noon.



Members of the ORR Student Council recently raised \$1,600 for My Sister's Keeper Charity, a women-led humanitarian action group. During a two decade long civil war being fought in Sudan, 90 percent of women are illiterate and only 20 percent of children in school are girls. The ORR Council wanted to help by supporting the Kunyuk School for Girls in Akon. With this donation they will be able to supply 50 girls with books, paper, uniforms, and writing utensils for the entire school year. The organization was co-founded by Liz Walker, anchorwoman for Channel 4 News in Boston. Students recently enjoyed time with Liz at ORR and learned that everyone is connected around the world and that a little help brings tremendous results.

These photos and more are available online at www.wanderer.com

the payment is late. Interest accrues at a rate of 14 percent per annum on bills not paid by the due date. It is the property owner's responsibility to insure taxes are paid on time and in full.

Please call the Tax Collector's Office at 508-758-4100, extension 1 for questions regarding payments. Questions regarding property values and abatements should be directed to the Assessors' Office at 508-758-4100, extension 3.

Marion Taxes Due

Marion Tax Collector Gary J. Carreiro would like to remind residents that the third quarter Fiscal Year 2009 Actual Real Estate and Personal Property Tax Bills are due Monday, February 2, 2009. Taxpayers may make payments online at www.townofmarion.org through eBill having their payments directly withdrawn from their checking or savings account or alternately mailing their payments to the Town of Marion, 2 Spring Street, Marion, MA 02738, or by making payments directly at the Marion Town House, Monday through Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm and on Friday from 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.

If you are unable to locate your third quarter payment coupon, please call the Tax Collector's office for the amount due.

According to Massachusetts General Law, failing to receive a tax bill does not relinquish the requirement to pay the tax bill which will result in penalties, charges and interest for late payment. Please contact the Tax Collector's office at 508-748-3504 or 508-748-3506 with any questions you may have regarding your bill.

Rochester Taxes Due

Rochester real estate and personal property bills were mailed out on December 17, 2008. The first half is due and payable by Friday, January 16, 2009. If you don't have a bill, please contact Tax Collector's office at 508-763-3871, extension 16.

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The MLT will provide the Kubb sets for use along with rules and instructions and will also provide refreshments and a fire to warm participants. Competition will begin at 1:30 pm and will finish before dark. The general public is welcome along with all MLT members. In case of inclement weather (rain or blizzard conditions; snow won't stop play) they will try again on Sunday, January

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MOVIE REVIEW

In the Line of Fire

By Rob Gonsalves
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Gran Torino. Starring Clint Eastwood and Bee Vang. Directed by Clint Eastwood. Running time: 116 minutes. MPAA rating: R.

It's funny how nobody really seems to be in *Gran Torino* except Clint Eastwood. Oh, there's dependable character actor John Carroll Lynch in a caustically funny three-scene bit as Clint's barber. And there are various Hmong people as Clint's neighbors, and some Americans as his disappointing family. But really there's only Clint Eastwood, in what is said to be his swan song as an actor, as the irascible Korean War vet Walt Kowalski. Having retired from his auto-factory job and recently buried his wife, Walt pretty much hates everything except his ol' dawg Daisy. He squints. He scowls. He growls. He waves guns around. The movie would be nowhere, absolutely nowhere, without Clint Eastwood.

This is a different case from, say, *The Wrestler*, which is inconceivable without Mickey Rourke but has a lot of other things going for it. *Gran Torino* has a script (by Nick Schenk, from a story by Schenk and Dave Johannson) that seems slavishly tailored to Clint's mannerisms and range and iconic persona. It's also the sort of amateurishly basic scenario that would've been laughed out of the offices of the notoriously schlocky Cannon Films in the '80s. The next-door Hmong kid Thao (Bee Vang) is intimidated by his cousin into joining a local gang. As an initiation, Thao is commanded to steal Walt's prized Gran Torino. Walt catches him, and soon the kid is doing chores around Walt's house at the behest of his old-school family. Walt, of course, warms to the kid, introduces him to the world of tools, teaches him how to be a Man.

You can feel how dusty this all is, right? And there's even a scene where ol' Walt ambles next door, tastes his first Hmong food, and discovers he kind of likes these people. (Prior to that, he'd been given to such charming epithets as "gook" and "zipperhead.") Awful as *Gran Torino* is on paper, iffy as most of the supporting performances are (except for John Carroll Lynch), it's a valentine to Clint fans, of whom I am one. I don't think the man has the Midas touch — I was baffled when *Million Dollar Baby* got wreathed in

praise and trophies. His filmography since the masterpiece *Unforgiven* has been erratic (I'd like to hear the Johnny-come-latelies who declare Eastwood a genius try to defend *Space Cowboys*). But I enjoy Eastwood's clean directorial style and his sandpapery, disdainful screen persona, and that's about all *Gran Torino* showcases.

With Eastwood in the role, what could've played as simple-minded ascends to mythology. (Look at any of the scenes without him in them — pure amateur hour.) You could say that about *Unforgiven*, too, but that had a brilliant script and Gene Hackman and Morgan Freeman. *Unforgiven* was meant as a deconstruction of (and maybe an atonement for) the pitiless gunslingers on which Eastwood built his career. *Gran Torino* reads like an elegy — they don't make men (movie stars) like Walt (Clint) any more. It's utter sap on that level, but Eastwood plays Walt with a farewell-tour gratitude, like John Wayne in *The Shootist*. These meta-macho films, which appeal on about the same level as a sports legend stepping onto the field one more time before retirement, are as much about our pasts with the grizzled old stars as about the movies themselves. On that level, *Gran Torino* is often touching.

The final shot of Walt is horrendously on-the-nose and has been laughed out of better movies than this. Not even Clint can redeem that shot; it's special pleading, and he should've had the sense as director to go for something subtler. But then nothing about *Gran Torino* is especially subtle. It's the cranky old man rediscovering the warmth of family and a sense of purpose when that family is threatened. I wish the damn thing were better, more capably acted across the board, more smartly written; I wish it earned its likely place in film history as Eastwood's final onscreen bow, and I wish it earned the feelings that brings up in many of us.

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The Unborn (PG13) – 1:55, 4:25, 7:35, 9:40
Bedtime Stories (PG) – 1:45, 4:05, 7:30, 9:45
Marley and Me (PG) – 1:30, 4:15, 7:15, 9:50
The Curious Case of Benjamin Button (PG13) – 1:00, 4:30, 8:00
Valkyrie (PG13) – 1:15, 3:50, 7:05, 9:35
Doubt (PG13) – 1:10, 3:50, 6:45, 9:10
Yes Man (PG13) – 1:25, 3:45, 7:00, 9:15
Seven Pounds (PG13) – 1:20, 4:00, 7:20, 9:55
The Day the Earth Stood Still (PG13) – 4:20, 10:00

Bolt (PG) – 1:35

Twilight (PG13) – 6:50

The Spirit (PG13) – 7:00, 9:25

The Tale of Despereaux (G) – 1:05, 3:35

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Valkyrie (PG13) – Fri: 7:00, 9:30; Sat/Sun: 12:45, 3:45, 7:00, 9:30; Mon-Thu: 3:40, 6:45
Slumdog Millionaire (R) – Fri: 6:40, 9:15; Sat/Sun: 12:25, 3:35, 6:40, 9:15; Mon-Thu: 3:20, 6:35

The Reader (R) – Fri: 6:50, 9:25; Sat/Sun:

12:35, 3:25, 6:50, 9:25; Mon-Thu: 3:30, 6:40

• FLAGSHIP CINEMA 8 •

39 Doty Street (Route 58), Wareham, MA.
Movie Hotline: 508-291-4100

Friday, Jan. 9 through Thursday, Jan. 15:

Gran Torino (R) – 1:25, 4:20, 7:05, 9:30
Bride Wars (PG) – 1:30, 4:05, 7:15, 9:25
The Curious Case of Benjamin Button (PG13) – 1:00, 4:15, 7:30
Marley and Me (PG) – 1:10, 3:45, 6:50, 9:30
Bedtime Stories (PG) – 1:35, 3:55, 6:45, 9:15
Seven Pounds (PG13) – 1:15, 3:50, 6:55, 9:35
Valkyrie (PG13) – 1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:40
The Tale of Despereaux (G) – 1:05, 4:00
Yes Man (PG13) – 7:05, 9:20

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Sippican Woman's Club

"Get Cranking (not cranky!) with Exercise and Good Nutrition" is the program topic scheduled for the Sippican Woman's Club meeting to be held on Friday, January 9. Local resident and Registered Dietician Susie Kokkins will share some health habits for the maturing woman. She will discuss whether or not we are getting the special nutrients our body needs now! This is an informative topic that everyone certainly appreciate and benefit from. A "must" attend meeting not to be missed.

All meetings are held at Handy's Tavern, 152 Front Street, and begin with a finger food luncheon and tea served at 12:30 pm, followed by a brief business meeting prior to the introduction of the guest speaker. The Sippican Woman's Club is open to all women who are residents of Marion or whose interests are in Marion. Please contact Jeanne Lake at 508-748-0619 for more information.

Rochester Democratic Caucus

Registered Democrats in Rochester will be holding a caucus at the Rochester Town Hall on January 31 at 10:00 am to elect delegates to the 2008 Massachusetts Democratic Convention. Registration will be open at 9:00 am. Delegates will be divided equally between men and



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MARION

Log highlights Dec. 28, 2008-Jan. 3, 2009:

- County Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Wareham Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Front Street – suspicious persons
- County Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Planting Island Road – power lines down
- Mill Street – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Shady Lane – suspicious motor vehicle
- Wareham Road – shoplifting/past
- Wareham Road – animal complaint
- Bayview Road – general offense
- Pitcher Street – motor vehicle complaint
- Route 195 West – motor vehicle accident/personal injury
- Wareham Road – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Front Street – disturbance
- Wareham Road – adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor, failure to signal)
- Route 195 West – adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor, failure to stop/yield)
- Ichabod Lane – adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor, marked lanes violation).

MATTAPOISETT

Log highlights Dec. 28, 2008-Jan. 3, 2009:

- North Street – gunshots reported
- Fairhaven Road – officer wanted
- County Road – civil complaint
- North Street – property found
- Brant Beach Avenue – suspicious motor vehicle
- County Road – suspicious persons
- Oliver's Lane – stolen property
- Fairhaven Road – civil complaint
- Acushnet Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Route 195 East – intoxicated party
- Park Street – suspicious motor vehicle
- Brandt Island Road – burglary/breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Island Street – breaking and entering into structure
- Acushnet Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Holmes Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- North Street – motor vehicle accident
- Silver Shell Avenue – suspicious persons
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – breaking and entering into motor vehicle
- Wildwood Terrace – civil complaint
- North Street – vandalism
- Mattapoisett Neck Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Route 195 West – motor vehicle accident
- Marion Road – gunshots reported.

ROCHESTER

Log highlights Dec. 28, 2008-Jan. 3, 2009:

- Mendell Road – motor vehicle accident
- Mattapoisett Road – motor vehicle accident
- North Avenue – suspicious activity
- Walnut Plain Road – domestic disturbance
- Walnut Plain Road – motor vehicle accident
- Marion Road – officer wanted
- Mary's Pond Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Ryder Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mattapoisett Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mattapoisett Road – animal complaint
- Cranberry Highway – suspicious activity
- King's Highway – motor vehicle accident
- Mendell Road – domestic disturbance
- Haskell Ridge Road – civil complaint
- Walnut Plain Road – motor vehicle accident
- North Avenue – suspicious motor vehicle
- Cushman Road – officer wanted
- Haskell Ridge Road – suspicious activity
- County Road – animal complaint
- North Avenue – highway matter
- Dexter Lane – suspicious person
- Mattapoisett Road – animal complaint.



LOCAL LUNCH MENUS

COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

Monday, January 12: Mexicali chicken, Spanish rice, multigrain roll, chocolate pudding, sugar-free pudding.

Tuesday, January 13: Swedish meatballs, buttered noodles, winter blend vegetables, whole wheat bread, crumb cake, graham wafer.

Wednesday, January 14: Boneless chicken breast with supreme sauce, red bliss potatoes, winter squash, honey wheat roll, mixed fruit in light syrup.

Thursday, January 15: Braised beef with mushrooms, whipped potatoes, sliced carrots, white bread, banana.

Friday, January 16: Tuna noodle

casserole, peas, whole wheat bread, mandarin oranges in light syrup.

MATTAPOISETT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday, January 12: Cheese or chicken quesadilla, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, January 13: Hamburger with/without cheese, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, January 14: American chop suey, bread stick, fruit, milk.

Thursday, January 15: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Friday, January 16: EARLY RELEASE: Waffle sticks, light sausage, hash brown, spiced apples, milk.

OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, January 12: Chow mein sandwiches, corn, rice, pineapples.

Tuesday, January 13: Waffles, sausage, hash browns, fruit.

Wednesday, January 14: Cheeseburger,

fries, green beans, apricots.

Thursday, January 15: Shepherd's pie, carrots, bread, pears.

Friday, January 16: Pizza, pretzels, veggie sticks, peaches.

OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, January 12: Spicy chicken, mozzarella sticks, French fries, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, January 13: French toast sticks, syrup, hash browns, light sausage, sliced apples, milk.

Wednesday, January 14: Chicken parmesan, pasta, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Thursday, January 15: Tacos with all the fixings, rice, fruit, milk.

Friday, January 16: EARLY RELEASE.

ROCHESTER MEMORIAL SCHOOL

Monday, January 12: Cheese or chicken

quesadilla, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, January 13: Hamburger with/without cheese, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, January 14: American chop suey, bread stick, fruit, milk.

Thursday, January 15: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Friday, January 16: EARLY RELEASE: Waffle sticks, light sausage, hash brown, spiced apples, milk.

SIPPICAN SCHOOL, MARION

Monday, January 12: Cheese or chicken quesadilla, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Tuesday, January 13: Hamburger with/without cheese, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Wednesday, January 14: American chop suey, bread stick, fruit, milk.

Thursday, January 15: Pizza, vegetable, fruit, milk.

Friday, January 16: EARLY RELEASE: Waffle sticks, light sausage, hash brown, spiced apples, milk.

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Mattapoisett American Legion

The monthly membership meeting of the Florence Eastman Post 280 American Legion is held at the Legion Hall, 3 Depot Street on the third Wednesday of each month. All members are encouraged to attend. Your input and ideas are needed.

This month's meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 21 at 7:00 pm. Prior to the monthly meeting they will have the Annual Corporate Meeting, during which Donald Fleming will discuss the club status as a 501(C)3 corporation and introduce a new set of bylaws which will require a vote of acceptance by all the members present. At that time the club will be prepared to submit the information to the IRS.

When the annual meeting is adjourned the club will call to order the monthly meeting and discuss Clam Bake plans for next summer as well as other fund-raising efforts. They will also examine options for transporting the ROTC students to the Memorial Day Parade.

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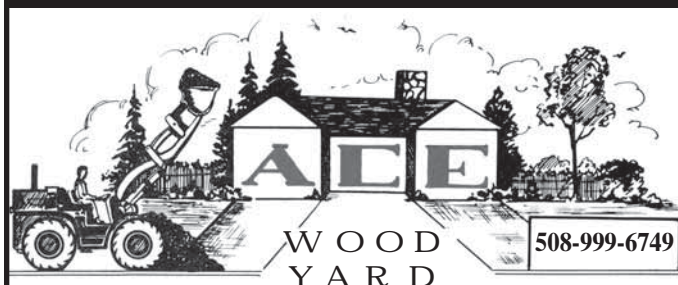
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7:00 AM – Second Coming Church
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9:00 AM – Music and the Spoken Word
9:30 AM – First Congregational Church of Rochester
11:00 AM – Physician's Focus
11:30 AM – White House Chronicles
12:00 PM – The Jeff Perry Report
1:00 PM – The Dr. Is In
2:00 PM – Music and the Spoken Word
2:30 PM – First Congregational Church of Rochester
4:00 PM – The New Testament Church of Cedarville
6:00 PM – Rochester COA Monthly
7:00 PM – Sippican Historical Society – The Stone Estate
8:00 PM – Tri-Town Business Association
8:30 PM – Sippican Historical Society – Charles Dana Gibson
12:00 AM – Midnight Movie

Monday Jan. 12, 2009

Noon – Middy Movie
2:00 PM – Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Local Interest Programming
5:30 PM – White House Chronicle
6:00 PM – Tri-Town Topics (Repeat – Not Live)

6:30 PM – Tri-Town Holiday Greetings
7:00 PM – Creatively Speaking
8:00 PM – Army News Watch
8:30 PM – Physician's Focus
9:00 PM – The Dr. Is In
10:00 PM – Creatively Speaking
10:30 PM – Life Matters
Midnight – Midnight Movie

Tuesday Jan. 13, 2009

Noon – Middy Movie
1:30 PM – The Wanderer Presents
2:00 PM – Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Don Cuddy: Neighbor to Neighbor
5:00 PM – Rochester COA Monthly
7:00 PM – HomeFront
7:30 PM – Sharing Miracles
8:00 PM – Sippican Historical Society – The Stone Estate
9:30 PM – Wood, Wind and Water
Midnight – Midnight Movie

Wednesday Jan. 14, 2009

Noon – Middy Movie
2:00 PM – Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Local Interest Programs
3:30 PM – Tri-Town Holiday Greetings
5:30 PM – Ampersand
6:00 PM – Creatively Speaking
8:00 PM – Physician's Focus
9:00 PM – Ampersand
10:00 PM – Fox Robbins Business Show
10:30 PM – Life Matters
Midnight – Midnight Movie

Thursday Jan. 15, 2008

Noon – Middy Movie
2:00 PM – Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Local Interest Programs
7:00 PM – Tri-Town Topics – (Repeat, not live)
7:30 PM – Get Connected With Conn Jackson
8:00 PM – Cooking With Marie
8:30 PM – The Rock Star Stories
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers
11:30 PM – Get Connected With Conn Jackson
Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers

Friday Jan. 16, 2009

Noon – Middy Movie
2:00 PM – Jazzercise
2:30 PM – Local Interest Programs
3:30 PM – Tri-Town Holiday Greetings
6:00 PM – Sippican Historical Society – Charles Dana Gibson
6:30 PM – Tri-Town Holiday Greetings
7:00 PM – Fox Robbins Business Show
8:00 PM – Homefront
9:30 PM – Around BCC
11:00 PM – Ampersand
Midnight – Midnight Movie Double Feature

Saturday Sept. Jan. 3, 2009

8:00 AM to Noon – Classic Christmas Cartoon Festival
Noon – Don Cuddy: Neighbor to Neighbor
1:00 PM – U-Mass Dartmouth

Basketball
8:00 PM – Cooking With Marie
8:30 PM – The Rock Star Stories
9:00 PM – Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers
11:30 PM – Get Connected With Conn Jackson
Midnight – Penny Dreadful's Schilling Shockers

MARION GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 95 Verizon Channel 39

Daily Schedule:

11:00 AM – Latest Planning Board Meeting
1:00 PM – Marion CPC Hearing
2:00 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
5:30 PM – Marion CPC Hearing
6:30 PM – Latest Board of Selectmen Meeting
9:00 PM – Latest Planning Board Meeting

ROCHESTER GOVERNMENT Comcast Channel 95 Verizon Channel 40

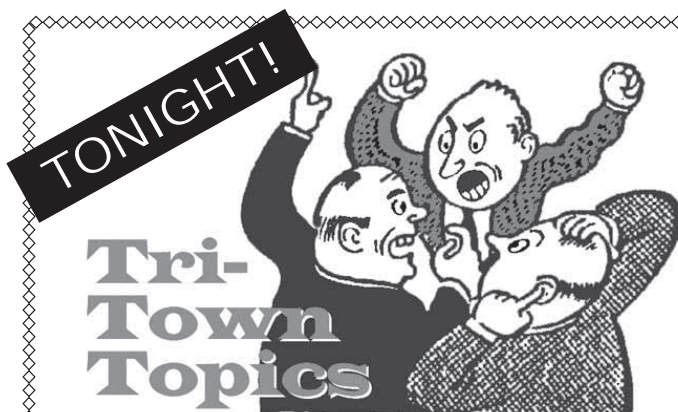
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EDUCATION CHANNEL Comcast Channel 18 Verizon Channel 37

Daily Schedule:

9:00 AM – ORRHHS – Yoga with Nancy Juvinall
10:00 AM – Center School Holiday Play
10:30 AM – RMS All School Meeting
11:00 AM – RMS Holiday Concert 2008
Noon – Bulldog TV
1:30 PM – ORRHHS Gravy Bowl
2:15 PM – John & Abigail Adams Scholarship Recipients
2:30 PM – ORRHHS Holiday Concert 2008
3:30 PM – ORRHHS Holiday Concert 2008
4:30 PM – Old Hammondtown School Holiday Concert 2008
5:30 PM – RMS Holiday Concert 2008
6:30 PM – Bulldog TV
7:00 PM – Center School Holiday Play
7:30 PM – Inside the ORR
8:15 PM – ORRHHS Fall 2008 Class Projects
8:30 PM – OHS 2008 Student Faculty Basketball Game
9:35 PM – OHS Community Service Messages
10:00 PM – ORRHHS Presents – Dreams Come True



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Questions for the panelists can be submitted in one of three ways ...

- Online at www.tritowntopics.com;
- Mailed to: **Tri-Town Topics, The Wanderer, P.O. Box 102, Mattapoisett, MA 02739**; or
- Called in "live" between 6:00 and 6:30 PM on **Thursday, January 8 at 508-748-1600.**

Marion Social Club

The Marion Social will host a Clam Boil on Sunday, January 18. Doors will open at 12:00 noon on that day and dinner will be served at 1:00 pm. There will be no take-outs for this event. Meal will include chowder and all the fixings for a New England clam boil along with dessert. Donation is \$25 per person and the last day to order is January 14. Come hungry and be sure to check out their raffle table. For tickets or more information, please contact Warren at 508-748-2933.

Rochester School Orientation

Rochester Memorial School welcomes parents of Kindergarten-aged children to an Orientation Meeting that will take place on Tuesday, January 13 from 5:45 to 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria. All parents of Kindergarten-eligible students are requested to attend. To be eligible for entrance into Kindergarten in September, a child's birth date must be prior to September 1, 2004. Registration Forms, Full-Day K Survey Forms, and the registration schedule will be distributed.

Kindergarten Registration for the 2009-2010 school year will be held at the Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street in Rochester the week of February 2 from 9:30 am to 11:30 am and from 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm for children whose birth date is prior to September 1, 2004.

Families whose names appear on the Annual Town Census will receive notification of these dates. They

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31 Command to Fido
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37 Where the buoys are
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46 Mr. Miyagi's forte
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57 In-your-face item
58 Dancer Jose
60 Pamphlet
63 Floor covering
64 Hoarder
66 Taxing time?
68 "I Love a Parade" composer
69 Gregory Peck film
74 Jeweler's weight
76 Exodus figure
77 "Butterfly" ('66 hit)
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81 Conductor's concern
83 Endangered herbivore
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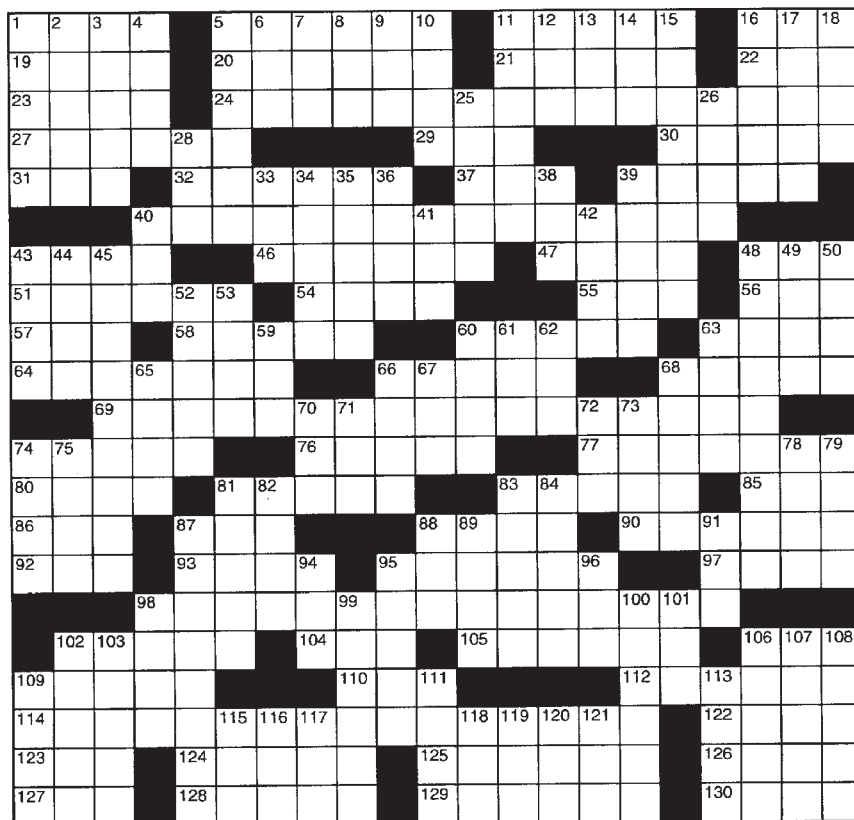
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2 Matisse or Rousseau
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8 "Don't touch my bone!"
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11 Audiophile's equipment
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15 Ira Gershwin, for one
16 Libreville's land
17 Escort
18 Command to Fido
25 Immobility class
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33 "For shame!"
34 Albeniz or Asimov
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61 Volcano part
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73 Got off
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75 — Romeo
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94 Farm feature
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101 Rock's — Speedwagon
102 Blessed sound?
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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) It's a good time to take a much-needed break from your recent hectic schedule and spend some time in quieter surroundings. Important news could arrive early next week.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) The Taurean traits of reliability and thoroughness could be well-tested when decision-makers consider your proposals and/or requests. Be prepared to answer some probing questions.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) A sudden attack of boredom leaves you with some tasks undone. It's OK to take a short respite. But get back to work by week's end so that you have time for other projects.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Avoid prejudging a situation just because it looks bad. Facts could emerge that would make your position uncomfortable, to say the least. A relative has interesting news to share with you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) This is a good time to begin reassessing some of your recent decisions about your long-range goals to see if they still have merit. Spend more time with loved ones this weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An unsettled situation at home or on the job early in the week could drain your energy levels, making it difficult to get your work done on schedule. But things improve by midweek.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A temporary setback could give you time to go over your plans to find weaknesses you might have overlooked before. A romantic getaway with that special person is favored this weekend.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Professional and personal situations benefit once you set a positive tone in getting things off to a good start. Honest dialogue smoothes over any occasional display of balkiness.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A problem with workplace colleagues or family members seems to defy even your sage counsel. But be patient. Your words will eventually lead to a resolution.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Don't just wait out that unexpected and unexplained delay in your career move. You could gain added respect if you ask why it happened and what you can do to move things along.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Although your workplace strategies usually are accepted, you could be challenged by someone who isn't so favorably impressed. Be prepared to defend your positions.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your friendship circle expands, with new people coming into your life at this time. Welcome them warmly. But don't neglect those cherished longtime personal relationships.

BORN THIS WEEK: You love to search for knowledge and share it with others. You would make an especially fine teacher.

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Marion Tree Disposal

Christmas tree pick-up in the Town of Marion is scheduled for the week of January 12 through January 16, 2009. Christmas trees should be placed curbside by 7:00 am on the day of your regularly scheduled rubbish pick-up. Trees are also accepted at the Transfer Station on Benson Brook Road. Please be sure trees are free of all ornaments and tinsel. If you have any questions, please contact the Marion DPW office at 508-748-3540, extension 101.

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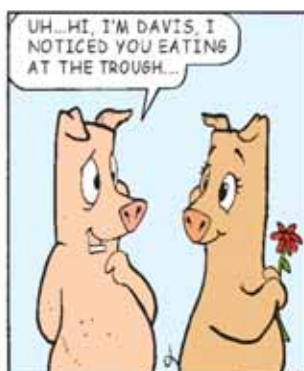
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<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT BOARD OF APPEALS</p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Mattapoissett Board of Appeals will hold a Public Hearing on the following applications:</p> <p>Application of Milton Silveira of 7213 Evans Mill Road, McLean, VA 22101 re property located at 76 Marion Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Sections 5.7 and 5.4.3.1.2 of the Zoning By-Laws to rent out a large garage for storage purposes. The property is further described as Plat 5, Lot 136 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 6:00 PM #1136</p> <p>Application by Saltonstall Architects of 380 Wareham Street, Marion, MA 02738 for Erin M. and Kerry Ann O'Brien, Trustees re property located at 5 Cedar Road. The applicants are seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.1, 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Law to demolish an existing dwelling and construct a new, single-family dwelling that will not meet the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 2A, Lot 15 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall Conference Room on Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 6:15 PM #1137</p> <p>Application of South Coast Design and Construction of 25 Cedarcrest Avenue, Mattapoissett, MA 02739 for Andrew Davidson re property located at 22 Fairhaven Road. The applicant is seeking a Special Permit under Sections 3.1.2.2 and 3.1.2.3 of the Zoning By-Law to construct a 4.5 foot x 6 foot landing and steps that will not meet the required setbacks. The property is further described as Plat 10, Lot 15 on the Assessors Map. The hearing will be held in the Town Hall conference Room on Thursday, January 15, 2009 at 6:30 PM. #1138</p> <p>Complete applications and plans as filed are available for inspection in the Office of the Town Clerk during normal office hours. Jeffrey R. Chase, Chairman Jack R. McGill Susan Akin Paul Milott Mary Anne Brogan 01/08</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER POLICE DEPARTMENT</p> <p>The Town of Rochester Police Department will be conducting Alcohol Compliance Checks throughout the year of all establishments holding liquor licenses.</p> <p>Paul H. Magee Chief of Police 01/08, 01/15</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICETOWN OF ROCHESTER-BOARD OF APPEALS</p> <p>#974 Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Michael Baldwin, 33 Gerrish Road, who is a seeking a special permit under section VIII.,D.9.a. to allow conversion of a single-family to a multi-family dwelling. The hearing will be on January 22, 2009 7:30 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 01/08, 01/15</p> <hr/> <p>CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS</p> <hr/> <p>Two Men and a Dump Truck available for cleaning out yards, houses, barns, attics. Transfer station runs, etc. RAKING OF LEAVES Call (508) 992-4021. Insured.</p> <hr/> <p>WANTED: C.N.A. LOOKING FOR 2 BEDROOM APT/COTTAGE FOR RENT IN TRI-TOWN AREA. REASONABLE RENT IN EXCHANGE FOR HOMECARE, ERRANDS, YARD CARE, DOCTOR APTS, SHOPPING ETC. EXCELLENT REFERENCES. NO PETS/ SMOKERS. PLEASE CALL LAURIE 508-858-7359</p> <hr/> <p>WEST PALM BEACH. TOWNHOUSE FOR RENT</p> <p>2 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, enclosed patio, on a Canal, washer and dryer in Townhouse. 7 tennis courts, swimming pool, Basketball court, and 4 Racquetball courts. Only 14 minutes to the ocean. Available by the month or weekly intervals (if available) Booking March thru September. Call 508-997-8644.</p>	<p>Wholesome family looking for child care? Exp Nanny, 8 yrs w/one family. Honest, kind & reliable. Great driving record. Great w/infants & toddlers, older child welcome. Full time needed. Includes light housekeeping. Call 508-992-4358</p> <hr/> <p>WILL PICK UP AT YOUR HOUSE: appliances, cast iron tubs, batteries, grills, any kind of iron, wiring, plumbing & car parts, etc. Will take away for free. Call Russell, 1-508-615-3655</p> <hr/> <p>Xmas English Bulldog Puppies for sale.\$400 each contact:verasokolow@yahoo.com for more.</p> <hr/> <p>YEAR ROUND RENTALS New Listings!</p> <p>Mattapoissett-Beautiful waterviews from this bright,sunny 3rd flr apt in center of village.2+BR,1BA,wood flrs,\$975/mo Marion-Private,1+BR home on Delano Rd. RACE REAL ESTATE 508-748-0479 www.racereonline.com</p> <hr/> <p>You Load It We Dump It or We Load for Extra Fee YOU SAVE MONEY 6 cu. yd container \$95 plus dump fee For details call 508-748-1391</p> <hr/> <p>YOUR HOUSEKEEPER Residential, Cottage, and Office Cleaning Bonded and Insured 508-207-6362 or 508-994-2711</p> <hr/> <p>Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps</p> 

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Marion Town Clerk

The Marion Annual Street Listing 2009 (census) forms are being mailed out this month. Please complete the forms as soon as possible and drop them off at the Town House, 2 Spring Street or mail them back in the enclosed envelope.

These census forms are very important for the town as state aid is based on the numbers returned. The Annual Street List is compiled from this information. No children under the age of 16 are placed in the street list however, it is very important that children be noted on the census form for school and state purposes, but again, no children under the age of 16 are placed in the street list.

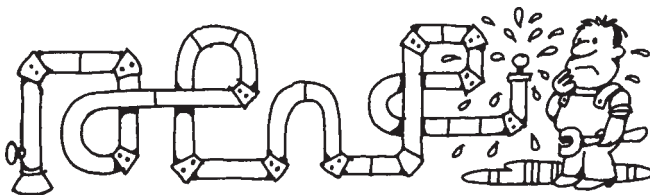
2009 Dog Licenses are also now available at the Town Clerk's office. Please stop by or use the application which will be with the Annual Street List form making sure to read the instructions carefully as incomplete ap-

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In addition to two pieces by Frederic Chopin, the *Trio for Piano, Violin, and Cello in G minor, Op. 8* and his *Sonata in B minor for Piano*, the concert also includes Claude Debussy's *Sonata for Cello & Piano in D minor*, and Jacques Widerkehr's *Sonata No. 1 in E minor for oboe & piano*. It's difficult to imagine a more pleasing combination of instruments or a more gratifying concert of piano music, one that SCCMS Co-Artistic Director Donna Marie Cobert calls "A remarkable French program."

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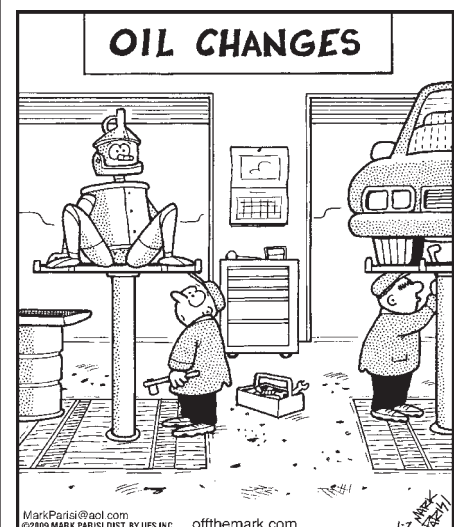
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Young People's Theater classes will be held on Thursdays from 3:30 to 4:30 pm (Grades K-2) beginning January 22. Fee for twelve weeks is \$135 for MAC members, \$150 non-members.

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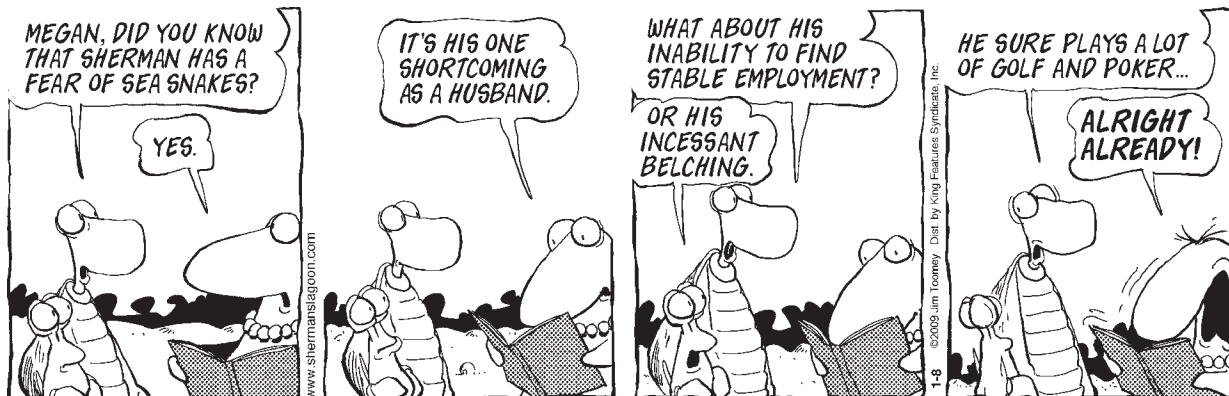
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SHERMAN'S LAGOON by J.P. Toomey



members. Annie Giddings is the instructor. The plays will be chosen to suit the composition and experience of the students. To register for all classes, please call 508-748-1266.

Mattapoisett Tree Committee

The Mattapoisett Tree Committee has been busy selecting and planting trees in town. Nine trees were planted which include the Beach House, Old Hammondtown School, and several scenic streets. They are always seeking new sites and donations for our spring tree planting.

They would like to thank the Bates family for their generous donation of a Princeton American Elm tree at the Beach House and Mr. and Ms. Peter Burlinson's donation of a lovely street tree in town. They appreciate NStar's efforts in donating and planting trees to replace those removed due to disease or proximity to electric lines. Thank you to Tom May of NStar and Paul Sellars, an Arborist with NStar. They appreciate and wish to thank all those who have donated trees or funds to the Tree Committee of Mattapoisett.

Nancy Souza, Deborah Smiley, Sandy Hering along with Roland Cote, the Tree Warden, have spent many hours preparing an application for Tree City USA. Upon recognition, many fine things will happen for the town. Being a Tree City USA offers a certain prestige and prominence for homeowners and businesses. In the spring, Arbor Day will be recognized as a tribute to the town's dedication to our tree canopy. According to Tree City USA, which is supported by the USDA Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry Program, "Tree City USA program provides direction, assistance and national recognition to our community by supporting the framework for a sustainable

urban forest."

Last year, the fifth graders at Old Hammondtown School created and displayed posters for Arbor Day which conveyed the importance of trees and wise environmental stewardship. Visit their website at www.trees-for-mattapoisett.org to view these posters and learn more about our committee.

Planting and caring for trees helps increase energy savings, clean the air and water and beautify the entire community and state.

The Tree Committee in Mattapoisett continues to be committed to the beautification of their hometown. Please consider planting a tree next spring or summer either at your home or town property. The Tree Committee appreciates donations to plant and preserve town trees. For further information, please contact Sandy Herring at 508-758-3008 or Elaine Botelho at 508-758-4909.

Loft School Open House

The Loft School of Marion Inc. is now enrolling for September 2009-2010. They are accepting applications for the three-day preschool class which is held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, and for the two-day preschool program which is Tuesdays and Thursdays. They have also added a new program on Mondays and Wednesdays for children who will turn 3 by November 15 and are potty trained. All classes are cooperative programs where parents share the first school experience with their child working in the classroom on a rotating basis. The Parent Information/Open House will be held on Thursday evening, January 29 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. For more information about any of the programs, please call Toni Cincotta at 508-748-1243.

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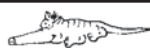
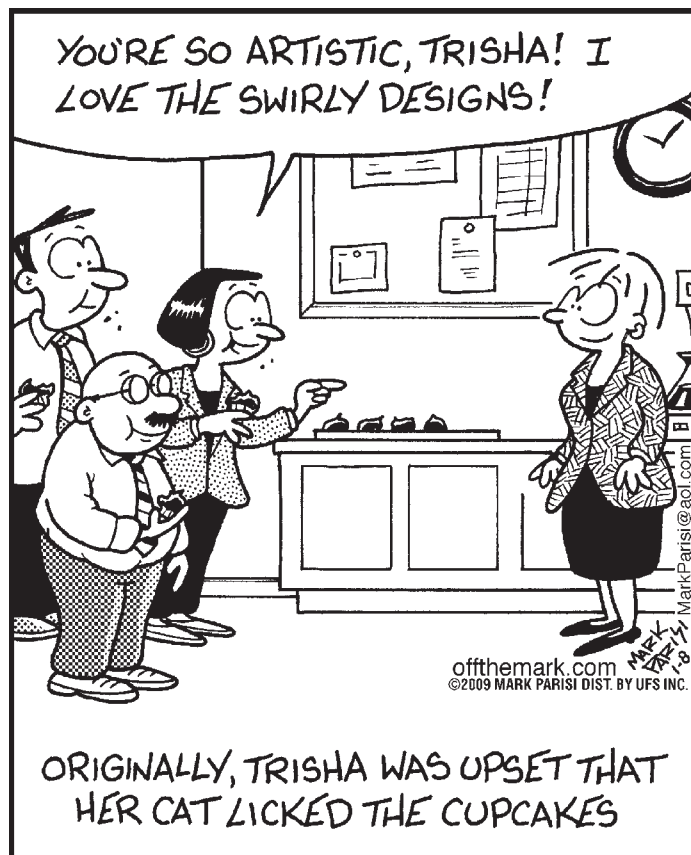
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		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
January 8:	Thurs.	4:53	5:23	11:17	10:47
January 9:	Fri.	5:54	6:21	11:59	11:44
January 10:	Sat.	6:48	7:13	...	1:07
January 11:	Sun.	7:40	8:05	12:42	1:57
January 12:	Mon.	8:31	8:57	1:38	2:43
January 13:	Tues.	9:22	9:49	2:32	3:24
January 14:	Wed.	10:13	10:41	3:24	4:03
January 15:	Thurs.	11:04	11:33	4:14	4:40
January 16:	Fri.	11:55	...	5:05	5:19
January 17:	Sat.	12:26	12:47	6:02	6:03
January 18:	Sun.	1:19	1:39	7:18	6:55
January 19:	Mon.	2:15	2:36	8:51	7:57
January 20:	Tues.	3:16	3:37	9:51	8:59
January 21:	Wed.	4:19	4:37	10:36	9:54
January 22:	Thurs.	5:15	5:29	11:16	10:44
January 23:	Fri.	6:02	6:14	11:55	11:31
January 24:	Sat.	6:42	6:54	...	12:33
January 25:	Sun.	7:18	7:31	12:17	1:11

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off the mark by Mark Parisi



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**In the December 25 issue
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